

have caused him. Lastly, I want X-Press readers to hear my version of the story. Myself, Lisa Reiten along with another female student and Professor Vaughan Jelliffe who as many people know teaches women's studies at this university and Professor Peter Trnka who is a philosophy professor, went to Robertson Library where Professor LeClair's class was taking place. I knocked on the door. Professor LeClair came outside of the classroom. Professor Jelliffe introduced herself and expressed her concerns about the film. She felt that many students would feel uncomfortable having to watch it. Professor LeClair INVITED her into the class to verify if what she thought was true. As it turned out several students kindly pointed out to us that they were there of their own free will. It was an uncomfortable situation and undoubtedly the atmosphere was hostile. The four of us subsequently left. It is my feeling that students do not have to have "a note of permission from their mommies" to watch something of that nature. However, when a student is taking a course from a professor and such material is shown they are in a compromising situation in that the professor in question has power over them for grading purposes. This does not make it impossible that a student would express their disagreement with a professor's viewpoint, but it increases the likelihood that this would happen. Regardless if people agree with what we did or not I hope such an event will make them think about why a film with NO EDUCATIONAL VALUE is being shown in an educational context.

Sincerely,  
Lisa Reiten

Letter to the editor; OUR RIGHTS, AS STUDENTS, HAVE BEEN VIOLATED!

Friday, Professor Leclair was about to show a humorous, anthropological film to his students, when Professor Vaughn Jelliffe, Professor Peter Trnka, and Lisa (Acting student representative), decided that he had made a politically INCORRECT decision. Thus, without discourse with Professor Leclair, they imposed on his class. Nevertheless, Professor Leclair, not being entirely sure of what they wanted, invited them to come in and comment.

First of all, Professor Vaughn Jelliffe lectured to Leclair's class on her opinion regarding this film which she claimed was degrading to females. Secondly, she offered her comfort and support to those females in the class who wished it. She suggested that they not view the movie, but she allowed them the choice, as though she were in charge! In response to Vaughn Jelliffe's intrusion on their class, Professor Leclair's students commented that they knew there was a choice. They have an active sense of humour and thus, said they were not at all offended by the connotations of this film. There are a number of issues here, the primary one being that a professor's academic freedom has been violated and in turn, OUR RIGHTS, AS STUDENTS, HAVE BEEN VIOLATED!

Have recent "politically correct-ing," events so greatly altered the minds of some women and men on this campus that the mutual respect of colleagues is discounted altogether and instead priority is given to



## *Shady's*

Lebanese & Canadian Cuisine  
Family Restaurant — Licensed

**Daily Lunch Specials**  
*lunch, soup and coffee*  
Monday to Thursday \$4.99  
Friday \$5.99

*Also serving other popular Lebanese dishes  
such as Falafel (\$3.25), Shawarma (\$4.00)  
and Shish Taouk (\$4.25)*

*\* Students receive 10% off main dishes\*  
(must present Student I.D. before ordering)*  
Located in the Ellis Bros/Sherwood Shopping Center  
tel: 628-1919